

**The Minutes of the meeting of the Lothian & Borders Branch of
The Royal Scottish Pipe Band Association
On Sunday 27th October 2019**

John Hughes, President	Peoples Ford Boghall & Bathgate Caledonia
A. Dalziel, Vice Chairman	Wallacestone and District
A. Hazzard, Secretary	City of Edinburgh
L.A. Riad	Peoples Ford Boghall & Bathgate Caledonia
B. Watt, Trophy Convenor	Peoples Ford Boghall & Bathgate Caledonia
P. Hazzard, Minute Secretary	City of Edinburgh
W. Dalziel	Wallacestone and District
S. Starr	Peebles Ex-Servicemens
P. Starr	Penicuik and District
M. Binder	Royal High Pipe Band
V. McMorran	Glencorse
M. Brown Scott	Scottish Fire and Rescue
G. Cameron	Camelon and District
C. Reid	Scottish Fire and Rescue Gd 2
K. Reid	Scottish Fire and Rescue
I. Simpson	George Watson's College
T. Thomson	Peoples Ford Boghall & Bathgate Caledonia

Apologies S. Orr, D. Martin, M. O'Neill, E. Scott

Minutes

The Minutes of the September meeting were proposed by Peoples Ford Boghall and Bathgate Caledonia and seconded by Wallacestone

Matters arising:

There were no matters arising.

Secretary's report:

The fees for the coming season are coming in now.

It was asked if the Juvenile Drum Majors champion of champions trophy had been given to Eve and it was confirmed that the trophy had been handed over.

Treasurer's report:

The Branch books have now been closed for the annual audit.

Directors report:

There were various discussions on the music board report on grade realignment.

There was also some discussion on the proposed change of venue for the Novice and Juvenile grades at the UK Championships.

Following complaints after this years World Championship the complaints panel have looked at the complaints and have sent their decision to the parties concerned and are awaiting their response.

Adjudicators have asked for assistance regarding social media reports.

Music Board Report

There has not been a music board meeting since our last Branch meeting.

Stewards Report

Everything went well at the World Solo Drumming, there were a few instances of competitors using rooms which had not been allocated to them. The Adult Final was probably no better attended than last year.

It was pointed out that some of the adult competitors were not wearing their glengarry.

There was some confusion regarding the playing requirements for the Adult contest as conflicting information had been given.

Education

The numbers for the Dundee Perth and Angus education events are not available at this time.

Trophies

There was not much to report

2020 Contests

Indoors 28th March.....JYHS Livingston *confirmed*
Dunbar..... 16th May TBC
West Lothian 30th May TBC
Innerleithen 6th June *confirmed*
Edinburgh Sunday 21st June *confirmed*
North Berwick..... 8th August *confirmed*
Peebles 5th September *confirmed*
Scottish Schools Contest 8th MarchKilmarnock *confirmed*

AOCB

It was asked why Grade 4 was mini bands at the indoors and also if it could be changed to a full band contest. After some discussion it was said that we would put this out to the bands and get their opinion.

The Champion of Champions for Novice and Grade 4 will be split into A and B contests

Meeting Closed 18.45pm.

Next meeting will be The Branch AGM on 25th November at 3.00pm.